

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

### **LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) An ~~electro-optical device~~electronic instrument comprising:

an electro-optical panel having an electro-optical material;

a holding member for holding the electro-optical panel;

a light-guide plate illuminating the electro-optical panel;

a wiring circuit board disposed in the rear of the light-guide plate;

a conductive terminal disposed on the wiring circuit board;

~~a circuit board mounting the electro-optical panel; and~~

~~a conductive terminal disposed between the wiring circuit board and the circuit board,~~

~~wherein the terminal is made of a conductor which is elastically deformable substantially in a contacting direction to the circuit board~~arranged substantially in parallel with a surface of the electro-optical panel; and

a connector mounted on the circuit board and having an elastically deformable connector terminal;

wherein the thickness of the light-guide plate gradually decreases in a predetermined direction to form an inclined surface;

wherein the wiring circuit board is disposed on the inclined surface;

wherein the connector terminal is brought into conductive contact with the terminal, and

wherein the connector is adjustable in the predetermined direction on the circuit board.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~A device~~An instrument according to Claim 1, further comprising a fixing structure for fixing the holding member on a mounting surface of the circuit board at the arrangement position.

3-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) An ~~electronic~~ instrument comprising:  
~~an electro-optical device according to claim 1; Claim 1, further comprising~~  
~~the circuit board mounting the electro-optical device and having an opposing~~  
~~terminal, which is brought into conductive contact with the terminal; and~~  
controlling means for controlling the electro-optical device.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) An instrument according to Claim 121, wherein the circuit board is provided with a mounting terminal, which is brought into conductive contact with the connector, and has a shape extending in the predetermined direction.

14-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) ~~A device~~An instrument according to claim 15~~Claim~~  
1, wherein the terminal has a shape extending in the predetermined direction.

17-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) ~~A device according to Claim 19, wherein the illuminating means comprises the light-guide plate equivalent to the support unit and~~  
~~a~~An instrument according to Claim 1, further comprising a light source for introducing light inside the light-guide plate from an edge of the light-guide plate,

~~wherein the thickness of the light-guide plate gradually decreases in the predetermined direction, and~~

wherein the light source is arranged to oppose an edge of the light-guide plate disposed in a direction opposite to the predetermined direction.

21. (New) An electronic instrument comprising:

an electro-optical panel having an electro-optical material;

a holding member for holding the electro-optical panel;

a light-guide plate illuminating the electro-optical panel;

a circuit board arranged substantially in parallel with the panel surface;

a conductive terminal disposed on the circuit board;

a wiring circuit board disposed in the rear of the light-guide plate; and

a connector mounted on the wiring circuit board and having an elastically deformable connector terminal;

wherein the thickness of the light-guide plate gradually decreases in a predetermined direction to form an inclined surface;

wherein the wiring circuit board is disposed on the inclined surface;

wherein the connector terminal is brought into conductive contact with the terminal, and

wherein the connector is adjustable in the predetermined direction on the wiring circuit board.